

**ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION****DOUBLE-STRANDED RNA-MEDIATED GENE SUPPRESSION**

5           The present invention relates to methods for modifying gene expression and in particular to methods for controlling gene expression in eukaryotic cells using double-stranded RNA (dsRNA), and to eukaryotic cell lines in which gene expression has been altered using the method. The invention also relates to compositions suitable for controlling gene expression and to methods of treatment which utilise such  
10   compositions.